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FOR: METHOD FOR DETECTING

MICRO-ORGANISMS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 30, 2006, Applicants are amending the claims so that only Group I claims are left remaining for prosecution.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.